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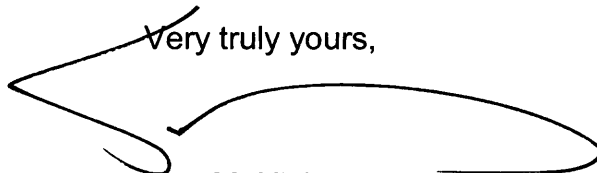
Hon. Deborah Taylor Tate, Chairman  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, TN 37238

Re: *Complaint of US LEC Against BellSouth and Request for Expedited  
Ruling and for Interim Relief*  
Docket No. 03-00639

Dear Chairman Tate:

This is to notify the Authority that the parties have reached a regional settlement and that US LEC will be withdrawing its complaint in Tennessee in the next few days. Given these developments, BellSouth does not intend to file a response to the *Amendment to Complaint* of US LEC filed on January 14, 2004. BellSouth has previously responded to the original *Complaint* filed by US LEC. A copy of this letter is being provided to counsel for US LEC.

Very truly yours,



Guy M. Hicks


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